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Eight-year-old Lukas Baxter, of Fort Erie, sat in a 1969 Mustang Boss Clone customized car that was featured during the 25th annual Rods and Relics Car Show held on the ground of the Fort Erie Race Track Sunday. The car's owners are Thorold's Nancy and Marcel Beauregard. The event was free to attend and donations collected were given to the Tender Wishes Foundation.

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Fort Erie Mayor Wayne Redekop shakes the hand of Niagara-on-the-Lake Mayor Pat Darte at the unveiling of the Mobile KidsZone program Monday at the Boys and Girls Club of Niagara in Niagara Falls. Both municipalities partnered to bring a van filled with sports equipment to parks twice a week in Fort Erie and every Friday in NOTL during the summer months. The 10-week program will be offered four times a year in each community. It was created through the Healthy Kids Community Challenge with the goal to encourage children to become more active.



Mobile KidsZone to get kids running, jumping and playing

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

Fort Erie and Niagara-on-the-Lake want more children running, jumping and playing every day.

The municipalities have partnered to encourage children to participate in daily activity through the Healthy Kids Community Challenge.

The Boys and Girls Club of Niagara will offer a free 10-week program called Mobile KidsZone to operate four times a year at neighbourhood parks in both communities.

A vehicle and sports equipment have been pur-

chased to allow kids to participate in activities during the year, such as soccer, flag football and badminton in the spring and summer months and snow shoeing during the winter.

The cost of the program is approximately \$30,000 with Fort Erie, NOTL and sponsor Canadian Tire each chipping in a portion.

The program was unveiled Monday afternoon at the Boys and Girls Club of Niagara in Niagara Falls by Fort Erie Mayor Wayne Redekop, Niagara-on-the-Lake Mayor Pat Darte and representa-

tives from the Healthy Kids Community Challenge.

Redekop said the partnership between Fort Erie and NOTL will "provide an opportunity for children to engage in physical activity" that they might not have otherwise had.

There is a focus on organized sports but not enough emphasis on promoting every-day physical activity through non-organized playing, he said, and by taking the van to the local parks, the program is also eliminating barriers to play, such as a lack of transportation.

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MOBILE KIDSZONE

- The free children's program will run Mondays at Sugar Bowl Park and Wednesdays at Crystal Beach Water Front Park between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. during July and August.

- July 4 and 6, soccer games and skills; July 11 and 13, spikeball and volleyball; July 18 and 20, relay races; July 25 and 27, baseball and Kickball; Aug. 1 and 3, basketball; Aug. 8 and 10, tennis and badminton; Aug. 15 and 17, capture the flag football; Aug. 22 and 24, track and field activities; Aug. 29

- and 31, Tchoukball; Sept. 5 and 7, flag football.

- Healthy Kids Community Challenge is a community-led program aimed at reducing and preventing childhood obesity.

- The program is part of the provincial government's Healthy Kids Strategy.

- The initiative aims to improve children's well being and health by focusing on a healthy start in life.

- Children under the age of 14 makes up 15.5 per cent of Niagara's population.

- Approximately 67,000

children in Niagara could potentially benefit from the Healthy Kids Community Challenge.

- Niagara has an adult low literacy rate of 31 per cent, an unemployment rate of 8.3 per cent and a self-reported adult obesity rate of 48 per cent. These and other factors have the potential to create negative health outcomes for children across Niagara.

- For more information visit www.healthykidsniagara.ca.

- Healthy Kids Community Challenge Niagara

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Redekop: Mobile KidsZone 'is a great start'

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"This is a great start," Redekop said about the Mobile KidsZone.

There is a connection between physical activity and health, which means if children adopt an active lifestyle sooner in life, they will live healthier lives, he added.

Darte said it made sense to partner with Fort Erie to offer the program because both communities need to focus

on youth.

Providing opportunities for children to have fun while participating in physical activities gives them something to do while promoting a positive lifestyle.

"For NOTL, we want to focus on our kids. We need to focus on our youth," Darte said.

"Any opportunities in that endeavour is a bonus for the community."

In 2014, the provincial

government announced 45 communities across Ontario, including Niagara, that were selected to participate in its Healthy Kids Community Challenge, an initiative that is supported by the Ministry of Health and part of Ontario's Healthy Kids Strategy. It's an initiative that aims to improve children's health and well-being by focusing on getting a healthy start in life, healthy eating and staying

active.

Niagara is set to receive up to \$1.125 million, with each municipality receiving funding from the provincial government to promote physical activity and healthy eating for children 12 and under and their families.

Judith Rudoler, coordinator for the Business Development Council of Niagara, said the Healthy Kids Community Challenge is a multi-themed initiative and the first theme is "Run. Jump.

Play. Every Day." It was launched in Niagara in February and a regional committee developed the Mobile KidsZone program that will target "priority neighbourhoods."

Rudoler said the program will be financially sustainable thanks to funding through the Niagara Region's Niagara Prosperity Initiative.

In Fort Erie, the program will be held on Mondays at Sugar Bowl Park between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. and Wednes-

days between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. at Crystal Beach Water Front Park during July and August.

The program will run in NOTL Every Friday in July and August between 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Both communities will have the days and times posted on their websites.

For more information about the program visit www.healthykidsniagara.ca.

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The board of the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority has awarded an \$80.5-million construction contract to American Bridge Company for a rehabilitation project at Peace Bridge.

Peace Bridge to undergo \$80.5M rehabilitation

RAY SPITERI
Postmedia Network

An \$80.5-million rehabilitation of the Peace Bridge is scheduled to begin this month.

It will involve complete replacement of the slab widening of the structure, including the addition of a pedestrian walkway/bikeway and observation platform. Construction will also see structural steel replacement, rehabilitation and strengthening, installation of electrical and fibre infrastructure, and the installation of new architectural traffic-control

gantries, railings, and light posts.

Ron Rienas, general manager of the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority, said there will be no lane closures during the peak summer travel season.

"The earliest a lane closure will occur is in mid October," he said.

Construction is scheduled to be finished by 2019. Work will be completed in four stages.

American Bridge Company was awarded the construction contract. It was the low bidder and was selected by the PBA based

on criteria such as similar project experience with deck replacement and complex bridges. The company also has project experience with national and binational spans.

The \$80.5-million project is one component of an overall \$186-million, self-financed, five-year capital plan approved by the PBA board.

Marc Garneau, Canada's minister of transport, said the project will be a co-ordinated effort between both sides of the border to ensure completion with "minimal impacts on motorists, tourists, bus passengers and

commercial carriers.

"I am pleased to see this project moving forward on a bridge that is so important to the economies of both countries," he said.

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said the rehabilitation is a "key part" of the PBA's "continuous effort to make passage between western New York and southern Ontario as efficient as possible.

"The selection of a contractor for the latest Peace Bridge improvements is an important step for ensuring a maximum flow of goods and traffic at the critical bi-national corridor border crossing."

The PBA identified the top priorities of overall project cost and maintaining operation of travel lanes when considering contractors.

As part of bid submissions, contractors were required to submit the number of days within their schedule they anticipated the bridge would experience fewer than three operational traffic lanes.

"Having worked on the Grand Island bridges, this contractor knows western New York's labour and materials markets, as well as our region's environmental conditions," said Sam Hoyt, chairman of the PBA board

of directors.

The PBA said the company's size, experience and capabilities in fabrication and erection allow for efficiencies of cost, purchasing power and cross-disciplinary synergies to reduce overall project costs.

In addition to the project itself, American Bridge Company will also be responsible for all construction management, including maintenance and protection of traffic on and under the Peace Bridge.

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Point of View

Great kids program coming to Niagara

What parent, grandparent or educator hasn't despaired at the difficulty of getting kids to be physically active, when computers, video games, iPads and all manner of electronic devices offer often mindless yet stimulating entertainment that doesn't require moving from the couch?

Childhood obesity is a growing problem, a societal problem, and one parents can't be expected to solve themselves.

Some facts about Niagara Region: Children under the age of 14 make up 15.5 per cent of Niagara's population. Niagara has an adult low literacy rate of 31 per cent, an unemployment rate of 8.3 per cent and a self-reported adult obesity rate of 48 per cent. These and other factors don't bode well for kids - they have the potential to create negative health outcomes for children across Niagara.

If ever there was a time when a village is needed to raise a child - or in this case, a community is needed to raise a healthy, active child - this is it.

The Boys and Girls Club of Niagara is the local organization that is taking part in a national initiative called The Healthy Kids Community Challenge. Its goal is to promote the health of children aged 12 years and under by reducing childhood obesity rates through sustainable healthy lifestyles that include healthy eating

and daily physical activity.

Across Niagara approximately 67,000 children could potentially benefit from the Healthy Kids Community Challenge.

It's a commitment a community must make for the long term, and one that to succeed requires support from many partners, from all levels of government, health groups and organizations involved in children's activities to schools and families, who must all get behind doing what is necessary to keep kids healthy.

In Fort Erie and Niagara-on-the-Lake, we're fortunate to have the involvement of the Boys and Girls Club of Niagara. As a Healthy Kids Community Challenge initiative, it is offering a program called Mobile KidsZone, a 10-week program four times a year at neighborhood parks. And it's free, which means it's open to all kids.

Kudos to the federal government for recognizing the importance of getting kids moving and developing the challenge, and to each level of government supporting and helping to finance it. We're very fortunate in Niagara to have the Boys and Girls Club with staff skilled in working with kids, and we can't forget the involvement of Canadian Tire, which helps to make sure all kids have access to such programs.

We look forward to seeing kids out this summer taking advantage of this great opportunity.

Do you remember?



Our thanks to Helen Potter and Richard Hurst for contacting us about last week's photo of the relay teams at a 1961 track and field meet. In the top row, from left, are John Skerrett, Richard Hurst, Chris Hoffman, Tim Griffin. In the front row, second from the left, is Joe Raso. To the right of him (from left to right) are Teddy Miskolzi and John Maracle. In a previous photo of the ribbon cutting ceremony Willis Fletcher Thompson, shown in the photo, was the administrator of Douglas Memorial Hospital and not the principal at Fort Erie High School. A special thanks to Robert Goldenberg and Eddie Felertag for setting the record straight. It is always appreciated. June is wedding month. Do you know this happy couple or is this your wedding photo? If so, please call the Fort Erie Historical Museum at 905-894-5322 or e-mail us museum@forterie.ca

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Photograph butterflies, don't catch and kill them

My homemade movie at Marcy's Albino Woods many years ago showed naturalists, Ernie Giles, pursuing butterflies with his large homemade net.

Yes, Ernie is a butterfly collector. He's always looking for perfect specimens.

On my wall encased in glass are two fine specimens of the Silver-spangled Frilltail. I am thankful for the gift from my friend. However, I am not a collector of butterflies. Ernie is a natural scientist and has collected butterfly specimens over the years for



When Nature Calls

examination.

Sorry Ernie, I just can't appreciate catching butterflies and ending their lives. I agree with nature photographer, Phil Schappert, who says, "The current trend towards watching and photographing butterflies instead of capturing them

and killing them is long overdue. A good mix might include careful netting of a specimen for close examination, then releasing it unharmed."

"If we learn just to enjoy watching butterflies, then there will always be more of them for us, our children and grandchildren. I have been on some great butterfly hunts with Ernie Giles at Marcy Woods, Short Hills Provincial Park and many other areas. However, local naturalist, Tim Seburn, had inspired me years ago to look for butterflies every year. Tim, I believe, is not

a collector but a strongly interested observer. It was he who took me to the area where I first saw the Spicebush Swallowtail butterflies at Marcy Woods. With him I also saw where the Tiger Swallowtails that feed on the wild cherry leaves. These are two beautiful butterflies. Look them up, eh!

There are many more species if you arrive at certain times of the year. From our Fort Erie Centennial library I took out the Peterson field guide, Eastern Butterflies and the Audubon Handbook for

Butterfly Watchers. I am serious again this year as I turn the pages and read the accounts. I want to see new species in my Niagara Peninsula How about you?

Heading out on my Rambler for Six Mile Creek. Looking for turtles.

Not any turtles - Snapping or Mud turtles but the rare Blandings turtle.

I remember area naturalist Rob Eberly showing me a beautiful

Blandings specimen. Rob was to release it back into nature. Was it at Six Mile Creek? I am going to check



it out again. If I see one the long coloured extended neck is a giveaway.

Earl Plato is a resident of Fort Erie, local historian and nature lover.

Fort Erie's June Chipp to give lecture on the Battle of Ridgeway

Over one thousand people recently gathered in Ridgeway to observe the 150th anniversary of the Fenian raid there.

Author June Chipp, in her latest book of local history called *Duty and Honour: the stand against the Fenians in Fort Erie*, reminds us that Fenians also landed and fought in Fort Erie. Come to the Crystal Ridge branch of the Fort Erie Public Library on Wednesday afternoon, June 22 at 1 p.m., and enjoy learning more about the shocking and dramatic events of June 2, 1866, when Lachlan McCallum, Richard King and their soldiers stood in the centre of the street and faced an enemy



Fort Erie Library

five times their number. Chipp's presentations combine humour with historical research and accuracy in just the right measure to make a delightful experience. Copies of "Duty and Honour" will be available for sale and signing.

On Tuesday, June 21, adults are invited to bring in their own e-reader, mobile device or laptop, for a one to one session of troubleshooting or training

with systems administrator Michael Schell. There is no need to register ahead of time to take advantage of Schell's expert and patient help; the opportunity begins at 2 p.m.

If you are interested in creating with the library's 3D printer, you can register for a one hour primer to be held on Tuesday, June 28. This workshop, open to ages 16 and over, will include learning how to set up the printer, work with 3D models and print your designs. People who are interested should contact Schell at mschell@epcl.ca or by telephone at 905-871-2546, ext. 301. Space is limited to 5 participants.

The popular Family Time sessions held at the

Centennial branch in partnership with the Parenting and Family Literacy Centre come to a close on June 21, but parents of toddlers don't need to make any change to their outing schedules. A story time featuring music, crafts, rhymes and other early literacy skills will be held each Tuesday throughout the summer at the Centennial branch, and each Wednesday at the Crystal Ridge branch. Caregivers and children ages 18 months and over are welcome to join us for reading, talking, singing and playing - activities that get children ready to read! These programs are free, and pre-registration is not required.

This Saturday, June

18, *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* based on the bestselling books by Jeff Kinney, will be our movie matinee, beginning at 2:30 p.m. at the Centennial branch. All the Wimpy Kid books and movies are available in the library collection. Place a hold on any books or movies at www.epcl.ca.

A reminder that one of the most suspenseful and surprising films about justice sought for wrongs committed during the Holocaust, "Remember" starring Christopher Plummer will be screened at the Crystal Ridge branch on Tuesday, June 21 at 2 p.m. and at the Centennial branch on Thursday, June 23 at 6:30 p.m. If you ponder questions of good and evil,

motivation and memory, you will not want to miss this movie.

Saturday, June 25 is going to be a very busy day all around Sugarbowl Park. All day long at the library, children and teens can sign up for Summer Reading. There will be a celebration with exciting activities from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is also the day to register for swimming lessons at the Kinsmen Pool, and that evening, beginning at about 8 p.m., the first Show in the Sugarbowl, *Star Wars: the Force Awaken* will play outdoors!

Amy Roebuck is the community services coordinator at the Fort Erie Public Library.

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From the gardener's journal

Trees are monuments to peace. Those are the words of the first poster we purchased together just after my husband and I were married. That thought came to mind a great deal this week as we had our eight ash trees cut down in the backyard. For awhile the space was literally full of logs, branches and sawdust. It did not look peaceful, nor pleasant. For me, to cut down so many trees was painful, just because I love trees.

Unfortunately the unhealthy trees were not going to get well again and so we did not delay the inevitable. Nevertheless, even when you know what must be, it is still a personally painful filled time. There were some good moments, as there always is when a trauma occurs.

The surprise came when I moved some of the logs to find the pansies I had planted in early spring literally came springing back when the weight was



removed. There are some eight logs that will be suitable for planks for building.

And we have lots of stacked wood for the future campfires. There is hope for the ground and a new look with more sunshine available in the yard. And as with all growing things, within a few days the flattened perennials began to lift again, recovering and determined to have their season. Oh yes, the healing has begun.

This past week brought our completion of our year in the greenhouse. We have so enjoyed all the students and teachers and the support of the community for this program. We think we might have one more year before the 'old becomes

new' and the high school merges to a new space. Then, like our backyard space, we have hope for a new experience in a new space.

The ending of the indoor growing in the greenhouse pushes us into the great outdoors for the balance of the growing season. And what a great outdoors it is. The rains and clouds have brought additional growth and what normally blooms in early July has buds already. This time of year is always exciting to me, there is a profusion of growth and blooms and lovely sunshine evenings to enjoy.

It is with those longer evenings in mind that I share this week's recipe (See box).

Now when we walk the beach in the evenings we sometimes glimpse the fox and her kits, we hear the sweet song of the birds and admire all the growth of the trees along the walkway. This is a time to enjoy the good and great weather and to stop and truly take the time to smell

the flowers or admire the beauty. My memories of June and beyond into summer are of pleasant days and golden evenings that seem to stretch out for a long embrace. I hope you are able to enjoy all our community offers and all the colours in the many gardens. Enjoy the pool too, thankful to see it back and ready to go. Thanks to all the volunteers who help to make that happen. The happy laughter of the children seems an essential part of the summering song.

And don't forget the market both indoors and outside on Tuesdays. Always great to support the local folk and keep the community growing. Lots to enjoy this month, the beginning of summer, the longest calendar day and the changes of the season in earnest bloom. Surely as you go.

And as always, keep growing.

Ruth Vold Markle is the vice-president of the Fort Erie Horticultural Society.

RATATOUILLE: SEASONED AND DELICIOUS

- In a large pot over medium heat add 1/2 cup olive oil and heat until oil is warm.
- Add and saute 1 1/2 cups chopped onion and 4 minced cloves of garlic.
- Then stir in 1 1/4 pounds eggplant (cut in 1 inch cubes)
- 1 green bell pepper chopped
- 1/2 red bell pepper chopped
- 2 large zucchinis, cut in half lengthwise and chopped
- 1/2 pound mushrooms quartered.
- Continue to saute a few minutes, stirring frequently.
- Add one 28 ounce can

- of whole tomatoes with the juice.
- Add 1/2 teaspoon of fresh basil and 1/4 teaspoon of fresh oregano.
- Break the canned tomatoes up with a wooden spoon.
- Simmer covered for 25 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- Uncover and continue cooking until the vegetables are tender.
- To complete this dish, turn the heat to high and boil off the excess liquid. Serve hot with fresh new potatoes or a lovely fresh bread. Guaranteed to add flavour to your evenings.

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Fort Erie Arts Council to host three-week art camp

Summer is here and I couldn't be happier. Just like all living things, I crave the sun, warmth and the green of luscious vegetation.

And I'll not forget all the wonderful adventures laying ahead of us. The beauty of our lands, the countless festivals, bonfires, parties and more are calling us to enjoy the outdoors and, well, to stop and smell the roses. So please do because as we all know

Old Man Winter will be back sooner than we will be ready for him.

With summer fun comes summer break—or is the other way around? Anyway, the Fort Erie Art Council is offering three weeks of summer art camp at the Bell Tower Sanctuary in Fort Erie for the month of July.



The camps are designed for kids between five to 13 years and will cost \$150 including materials and snacks. The first camp is called DTI Upsyde - Mixed Media and Paint running from Monday, July 4 to Friday, July 8. Creative Minds - Painting, Drawing, Mixed media, 3-D Art will take place from July 11 to July 15. Last but not least, children get to create to their hearts' content with Crazy Creatures - Puppetry, Mask making and Cartooning from July

11 to July 15. Camps are running from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with before and after care available upon request from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. FEAC Members receive a discount and a multiple sibling discount.

Please e-mail feacclasses@gmail.com for more info and to register.

The talented Melani Pyke is offering four classes starting with "Graphite pencil portraits" on August 4th followed by "Watercolour cityscape" on Aug. 11, "Acrylic florals" on August 18th and "Oil cityscape" on Aug. 25. All classes will run on Thursday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Sanctuary - Centre for the Arts. One class will cost \$25 per class or \$80 if you'd like to take all four of them. For more information or to register please call

905-894-8373 or email feacclasses@gmail.com.

One more sleep and we will welcome Séan McCann aka "The Shantymann" from internationally acclaimed band Great Big Sea. He is bringing along his good friend Matt Wells. You probably remember Matt as former presenter on the music television station MuchMore. Like Séan, Matt is a child of the Maritime world growing up in Newfoundland and Labrador and Nova Scotia. He was also the singer of the Canadian hard rock band "Bucket Truck" for more than 10 years while producing and directing music videos for the band. He has shared the stage with bands like Slayer, Damage Plan, and Green

Day. Matt Wells continues to create music as a solo artist and as a member of the folk/roots band "Lazybones" while starring in movies such as Rogue, Beauty and the Beast and Bitten. Truly a man of many talents.

We have a few tickets left to see the wickedly talented Séan McCann and the equally fabulous Matt Wells

for the show on June 17. Doors will be open at 8 p.m., show starts at 8:30 p.m. This all ages show will be mostly seated. Tickets are available for only \$25 on www.ticketcityscene.ca and at Bristmore Brewing Company.

Nadine Pizzicarella is the events coordinator for the Sanctuary Centre for the Arts.

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Health Corner

More than just teeth

Our ability to eat and chew different types of food is dependent on an entire system of events that happen down food into pieces that we can swallow. It involves much more than just our teeth. One of the most important aspects of our chewing system is our jaw joint, more specifically the temporomandibular joint. For simplicity sake, let's refer to this joint as the TM joint. When people experience problems with their TM joint, the condition is known as temporomandibular dysfunction or TMD.

Here are some of the signs and symptoms of TMD:

1. Clicking sounds from joint during opening and closing
2. Pain during opening or closing or while eating
3. Locking of jaw joint
4. Grinding or clenching habits



Dr. John Inigo

Here are some treatment options for patients with TMD:

1. Oral appliance therapy (oral orthotics)
2. Bite adjustment or alteration
3. Medications
4. Surgery

Because TMD can be such a debilitating condition that affects so many aspects of daily life especially eating and sleeping, it is important that you visit your dentist to determine if you have TMD and to find out what treatment options are appropriate for you.

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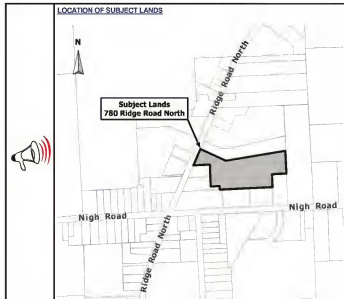
ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

APPLICATION 350309-0418

DATE: JULY 11, 2016

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: MUNICIPAL TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS



WHAT WILL THIS AMENDMENT CHANGE:

- Permit the reduction to the lot area of the subject lands from 2.87 hectares to 2.279 hectares
- Permit the reduction to the lot frontage to 60.96 metres

GETTING MORE INFORMATION

Input on the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Town. Please note that unless you do one of the above now, you may not be able to appeal the decision later.

A copy of the Information Report will be available to the public by 5:00 PM on July 6, 2016. The information report will be available in the Council agenda portion of the Town's Web Site: www.forterie.ca or from the Planning and Development Services Department.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Matt Kernahan, MCIP, RPP, Senior Development Planner

Planning and Development Services Department,

Town Hall, 1 Municipal Centre Drive,

Fort Erie, Ontario L2A 2S6

905-871-1600, ext. 2507

Or by e-mailing your comments to: mkernahan@forterie.ca

PROVIDING YOUR COMMENTS OR REQUESTING NOTICE OF DECISION

To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision of the Zoning By-law Amendment, please send a letter c/o the Town Clerk Laura Bubanko, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6 or an email to lbubanko@forterie.ca

PLANNING ACT LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Town of Fort Erie has not yet made a decision regarding this application. After considering any written comments and the comments from the public meeting, a Recommendation Report will be prepared for a future Council-in-Committee meeting.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law amendment before the By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Fort Erie to the Ontario Municipal Board.

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Strawberries are in season at the Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers Market.

Tantalize your taste buds with strawberries from the Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers Market

There will be fresh local strawberries at the Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers Market this week.

What do strawberries and June weddings have in common, other than that great weather? Sex. Yes those little heart-shaped berry things are aphrodisiacs. The tradition in France is to serve a chilled, creamy sweet, strawberry soup at the wedding breakfast to help the happy couple start their honeymoon. That's another reason we see them at Valentine's day covered in chocolate, another aphrodisiac. So, strawberries actually have jobs, and that is to get you in the mood.

They also have a health



improvement job as well. They're loaded with fibre and have more vitamin C per serving than a serving of orange. Who'd have thought? So here's another one of those things to feed picky eaters.

Did you know strawberries wear their seeds on the outside like a red velvet jacket covered with gold sequins? This makes them

special and different than all other fruits and vegetables on the planet.

I case you didn't know, strawberries are a big part of the First Nations traditional diet in Canada, and have been for hundreds of years before Europeans arrived. I'll be selling strawberry cornbread at the Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers' market this week at the Elsie's booth. Drop in and see us.

The Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers Market runs Tuesdays between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the corner of Jarvis Street and Central Avenue.

Chrystal Haverstock is the Bridgeburg Rustic Farmers Market coordinator.

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Margaret Trudeau opens up about her life with mental illness

MARYANNE FIRTH
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She was robbed.
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It would be years before Margaret Trudeau discovered and came to terms with the culprit she now so readily identifies as mental illness.

But before that realization came a downward spiral of depression, distraction and out-of-control behaviour.

As a social advocate raising awareness of mental illness, it's a story the actress, author and mother of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau is pleased to share.

In a more than hour-long candid speech to a packed banquet hall at Fallsview Casino Friday night, Trudeau opened up about her simple childhood, her whirlwind romance with Pierre Trudeau and her struggles to return from the brink of death, where bipolar disorder once left her teetering.

The beloved 67-year-old Canadian icon was the keynote speaker at the annual Pathstone Foundation Hope Award Gala.

It was held to honour this year's recipient, Fort Erie-based pediatrician Dr. Hilda Makken.

Makken was praised for her work improving the lives of children, youths and families living with mental health problems.

In her speech, Trudeau - despite now hav-

ing the support and help she needs, as well as the appropriate medication - acknowledged she still has moments where mania seeps in.

She spoke of a recent cross-country road trip that, after three days in the car, left her distressed and initially unable to continue.

Armed with tools to address those anxious feelings and a solid understanding of her diagnosis, Trudeau was eventually able to get back on the road.

The journey to reach that point has not been easy.

In her younger years, Trudeau was in "complete denial that there was anything wrong."

"If you (thought) there was something wrong with me, there was definitely something wrong with you. That's what I would be constantly telling everyone," she said.

"I hung onto the idea for so long that I could fix myself. That I could get better. That if I just changed my husband. If I just changed my place of living. If I just changed something, and did some yoga, took up photography, I'd be just fine."

But that, of course, was not the case. Trudeau needed help. It was a long road to treatment for the Vancouver native, who first began to notice a change in herself at age 18 when she went off to university.

She wasn't sleeping. She wasn't eating.
Subtle signs that some-

thing was not right had only just begun to appear.

When she began dating Pierre, then Canada's prime minister, she shied away from going out with him in public, turned off by what she described as the "fussy world" he was surrounded by.

Still enamoured with the charismatic man, the pair secretly married.

"He took me home to my new life that I forgot to think about," she said, recalling how at 22 she hadn't considered that exchanging vows meant living thousands of miles away from her support system, her family.

Life at 24 Sussex Drive - the home Trudeau jokingly refers to as the "crown jewel of the federal penitentiary system" - was a difficult adjustment for the newlywed.

With staff on hand at all times, there was no need for the prime minister's wife to lift a finger.

Not being able to contribute only worsened her state of mind - until she found herself pregnant with their first child, Justin. Overwhelmed by happiness, she had found peace of mind, despite the challenges still being faced.

Those feelings faded, however, after the birth of their second son Alexandre, or Sacha.

Trudeau could no longer get out of bed. She didn't want to. She didn't care.

She couldn't understand why she was so unhappy

despite having the life many would only dream of.

When she sought help, her symptoms were shrugged off by a doctor as the "baby blues."

Feeling some improvement a few months later, Trudeau opted to join her husband on the 1974 campaign trail.

The lack of sleeping, eating, and the constant crowds were enough to push the petite brunette into a deep depression.

She decided a trip to Montreal was in order to clear her head, but upon arrival deemed it necessary to fly to Paris instead.

When the City of Lights wouldn't do, she travelled to Crete, Greece.

"I was trying to fix myself. I was trying to stop the noise. I was trying to stop the chaos," she recalled of the non-stop thoughts racing through her mind.

Upon her return to Canada, she sought psychiatric care, but still received no diagnosis.

She separated from Pierre in 1977.

"I found depression a thief. It stole my life from me. It stole my ability to participate, to be intimate, to be friendly, to be a good parent, to be everything," she said.

"I was lost in this fog of nothingness and I didn't feel like doing anything. I didn't understand it."

When her son Michel died in 1998, Trudeau felt as though her life was over.



JULIE JOCSAK/POSTMEDIA NETWORK

Fort Erie's Dr. Hilda Makken received the Hope Award from Bruce Caughill at the Pathstone Foundation Hope Award Gala at the Fallsview Casino in Niagara Falls on Friday.

The tragedy led to her second divorce and saw her indulge in marijuana and alcohol in an effort to trick her mind into feeling better.

She took acting classes and used the skills she learned to mask what was happening to her.

"I had a death wish, and I was on my way."

After Pierre passed away in 2000, Trudeau became a danger to herself and was admitted to a psychiatric ward, where she was told she herself was near death.

She was so malnourished her kidneys had begun to fail. Trudeau was forced to face her illness, a diagnosis

of bipolar disorder, in order to survive.

She did just that, spending three months in hospital and more than two years in cognitive behavioural therapy as a result.

Trudeau urged people not to accept depression as a way of life and to instead reach out for help no matter how difficult that step might seem.

"There is a choice," she said, adding the supports now available can make all the difference.

"I want to tell you there is help. There's extraordinary help."

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A day of mud, sweat and cheers at OneFoundation's Kids Ultimate Challenge

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Modelled after the popular 'tough mudder' events for adults, the Challenge offers children aged four to 13 a unique one-kilometre obstacle experience filled with fun and surprises. The non-competitive event not only promotes healthy, active play, but also provides an opportunity for participants to support a cause that ensures the hospital's youngest patients have access to vital patient care equipment as funds raised support the Children's Health Unit of the NHS.

This year's Challenge raised a record-breaking \$55,000, bringing the event's 4-year total to more than \$130,000.

To learn more about the Kids Ultimate Challenge, visit www.KidsUltimateChallenge.com.

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A group of Challengers crawl their way through an obstacle along the 1K2M course



The Muddy Charmers, one of the Challenge's larger teams, is pictured at the finish line



The Kids Ultimate Challenge is a non-competitive, family-friendly event supporting the Children's Health Unit of the NHS



Challengers show off their participatory medals after crossing the finish line



Challengers burst into the course after warming up with volunteer Guppy



Participants run, jump and climb their way through the 1K2M obstacle course



Staff from the Children's Health Unit gave demonstrations of the new WalkAway, recently funded via royal, provincial, and local supporters for helping the hospital's youngest patients.



This Challenger sure enjoyed a day of mud, sweat and cheers!



The Mud Bogs made their way to Niagara from Hamilton to participate in the Challenge



A Challenger jumps into the famous Mud Pit, a crowd favourite!

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History relived at Old Fort Erie



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Spectators watched as re-enactors relived an important piece of Canadian history on the weekend. Old Fort Erie hosted one of its popular battle re-enactments on Saturday and Sunday. The two-day event commemorated the 150th anniversary of the Fenian Raids. Irish veterans that fought in the U.S. Civil War crossed the border into Niagara on June 1, 1866. They intended to capture the British territory of Canada and use it to barter with Britain for Ireland's freedom. British soldiers were deployed to Ridgeway and to the Fort Erie dock to fight the Fenian army. The conflict came to a head at the Battle of Ridgeway, on June 2, 1866. The Fenians retreated to Old Fort Erie where they were captured attempting to return to the U.S. Following the Battle of Ridgeway, the colonies felt they could better defend themselves instead of relying on Britain for their defense. Canada was born one year later.



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Summer concert series to begin July 17

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

The Waterfront Concert Series will get toes tapping and hands clapping this summer.

The Friends of Crystal Beach is hosting its annual free concert series at Waterfront Park beginning with a performance by The Toronto All-Star Big Band on July 17.

The well-known band is returning this year to remind concert-goers of the Big Band era of the 1930s and 1940s that made Crystal Beach

famous.

"We keep bringing them back each year because they are still a crowd favourite. The audience wants to see them every year," said June Chipp, Waterfront Concert Series chairman.

Jimmy Gribbon backed by Gerie and the Koasters will pay tribute to John Denver and perform all his big hits, including 'Country Roads', 'Aye Cypso' and 'Rocky Mountain High' on July 31.

"(Gribbon) is an amazing artist," Chipp said.

"He sings like John Denver and he looks like John Denver."

The Moonlighters will return for a second time on Aug. 7 and perform a tribute to classic rock and roll of the 1950s and 1960s.

"We've decided to bring them back for one more year because they are very popular," Chipp said.

The Peace River Band featuring Mary Lou Fitzgerald will conclude the concert

series on Aug. 21.

Chipp said the band will perform "a good old country hoedown" with traditional blue grass, country and gospel tunes.

The free concert series, which has been held in Crystal Beach for more than 10 years, sees anywhere from 400 to 500 people attend each show, Chipp said.

The concerts begin at Waterfront Park, 3875 Terrace Ln., at 7 p.m.

People are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or a blanket to enjoy the concerts.

For more information

about the upcoming concerts visit www.focb.net.

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WATERFRONT CONCERT SERIES

• All free concerts will be held at Waterfront Park, 3875 Terrace Ln. in Crystal Beach beginning at 7 p.m.

• July 17, The Toronto All-Star Big Band.

• July 31, John Denver Tribute featuring Jimmy Gribbon backed by Gerie and the Koasters.

• Aug. 7, The Moonlighters.

• Aug. 21, The Peace River Band featuring Mary Lou Fitzgerald.



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The Moonlighters paid tribute to music stars from the 1950s and 60s, including Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison and the Beatles, during the kickoff to the Waterfront Concert Series last year. They'll return to the stage on Aug. 7. The free concert series will begin on July 17 at 7 p.m.

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NIAGARA'S CELEBRATION DESTINATION

Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks receives Blue Water Project Community Action grant

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

The Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks will restore and enhance Frenchman's Creek thanks to a much-needed grant the group recently received.

RBC Bank awarded the non-profit organization a \$5,000 RBC Blue Water Project Community Action Grant on June 2, known as Blue Water Day at RBC Banks across North America.

Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks president Ian Twyford said the money would be used to help remove an "in-stream blockage" that has been identified in Frenchman's Creek.

Twyford said these blockages are expected to increase because of the Emerald Ash Borer, a beetle that attacks all species of ash trees.

Ash trees, which make up about 80 per cent of Fort Erie's rural landscape, thrive

in most soils such as those bordering waterways.

Twyford said the infected trees often fall directly onto waterways when they die, gathering free-floating debris that create blockages.

Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks, which began in 1980, is volunteer-driven and dedicated to preserving everything it can "in the waterscape of Fort Erie."

But the non-profit organization couldn't do what it does without the support of the community.

"It's because of grants like (the one provided by RBC) that we can keep doing what we do. They are the lifeblood of this group," Twyford said.

The grants, including the one received by the Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks, are funding programs that improve urban water quality, enhancing storm water management and protecting and restoring urban waterways.

RBC unveiled the Blue Water Project, a 10-year global commitment of \$50 million to help protect fresh local water. In 2007, Chris Sullivan, RBC branch manager, said.

"Water is one of our most precious resources and its fundamental to life on our planet," he said.

To date, RBC has donated more than \$44 million to over 740 organizations worldwide, "which are improving the quality and removing the barriers to clean drinking water."

Sullivan said he was glad to see a local organization in Fort Erie receive a grant for the second year in a row.

"I applaud the efforts of the team and the volunteers at Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks who work so hard to ensure that future generations of Canadians will be able to enjoy a cleaner, more sustainable world."

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SARAH FERGUSON/FORT ERIE TIMES

RBC Bank recently awarded the Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks \$5,000 through the financial institution's Blue Water Project Community Action Grant. Members of the non-profit organization are pictured with staff from RBC Bank on Jarvis Street from left, are Friends of Fort Erie's Creeks president Ian Twyford, Joanne Lyddiatt, FOREC member Frank Genze, RBC branch manager Chris Sullivan, Frank Riddle, Sonya Weaver, Stephanie de Jesus and Usman Maalik.

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Childcare centre to celebrate 20 years

Under the Rainbow Childcare Centre in Fort Erie is celebrating their 20 years of operation with a Free Family Fun Night on June 17 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The staff at Under the Rainbow are inviting the entire community to come celebrate with them as they recognize an important milestone.

Food, bouncy houses, pony rides, a book fair and raffles will all take place at the Centre's Crescent Park facility.

Under the Rainbow provides a stimulating learning environment where children can grow and reach their potential.

Ward 3 Coun. Kim Zanko noted the event at Monday's Town council, and encouraged everyone in the community to attend.

Balloon rides in support of Community Living

The sky is the limit for RE/MAX Niagara when it comes to showing support for Community Living Fort Erie.

The Fort Erie-based company is offering hot air balloon rides to the public on Monday, June 20 between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

The RE/MAX Balloon will be set up at the Bridgewater Country Club, at 700 Gilmore Road, weather permitting. The event is open to the public and donations will be accepted on behalf of Community Living Fort Erie, a non-profit organization with almost 60 years of experience providing advocacy and support to individuals who have intellectual challenges and their families.

Community Living volunteers will be on hand, serving a barbecue to those that attend.

Legion to host benefit for McMaster Children's Hospital

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 230 has planned the McMaster Children's Hospital Benefit at its hall, at 228 South Mill St., on June 26.

The event includes high tea and a silent auction.

Tickets are \$15 per person for the tea service, or \$2 to register for the silent auction and can be purchased in advance by calling the legion at 905-894-5927 or e-mail rd230jessie@gmail.com. Limited tickets will be available at the door.

The doors open at 1 p.m. and tea will be served between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. The silent auction will close at 5 p.m.

All of the proceeds from the event have been earmarked for the McMaster Children's Oncology Department.

U.S. man arrested at Peace Bridge

A 23-year-old man from Brooklyn,

N.Y. was arrested following a joint investigation launched by the Niagara Regional Police's Internet Child Exploitation Unit and the Canadian Border Services Agency at the Peace Bridge in Fort Erie on Monday, June 6.

As a result of the investigation, Khondem Mayers has been arrested and charged with possession of child pornography and importing child pornography.

The man has been held in custody pending a bail hearing at the Robert S.K. Welch Courthouse in St. Catharines.

The public can report suspicious Internet activities relating to child exploitation to the Niagara Regional Police Service, or online at www.cybertip.ca. Internet safety tips for parents, children and Internet users are also available on the CyberTip website.

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Artist influenced by architecture and life experiences

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

When Paul Lewis puts paintbrush to canvas, he's inspired by the architecture that surrounds him.

The Buffalo N.Y. resident lives in Crystal Beach during the summer months. He began painting more than 15 years ago, capturing landscapes and historical buildings in acrylic paint.

"I think there is a magnificence in buildings that as a kid, I was just in awe of," he said.

When Lewis was a high school student, he took architectural courses, but his career path changed when he went to college.

He said a mentor helped him discover "a passion for history." His newly found passion led Lewis to become a history teacher.

It's a decision Lewis said he doesn't regret because he has used his love of painting and knowledge of history and architecture as inspiration to recreate many of Niagara's landscapes and historical buildings.

What Lewis said he enjoys most about painting is watching the scenery unfold as he works with his brush.

"It's kind of like watching a painting come together but you start at the back and work your way forward."

Lewis takes his time painting "every flower petal" or the "smallest detail" in a building's design.

"People ask me why I spend so much time on something so small, but I handle every detail with care."

Many of the images he has captured are dear to him. Lewis' paintings are influenced by his travels to visit family in Ireland, the parks in Riverside, the neighbourhood in Buffalo where he grew up, and summers he spent vacationing with family at Crystal Beach as a child.

"Fort Erie has always been a part of our family," Lewis said.

"My father would come here in the 1920s to visit Crystal Beach and he loved it. He shared that love with us and it was always his dream



SARAH FERGUSON/FORT ERIE TIMES

Artist Paul Lewis will have his paintings on display at the Hall Art Gallery inside Lakeside Books and Art on Ridge Road in Ridgeway until July 10.

to have his own cottage in Fort Erie."

Lewis is the second artist to be featured at the Hall Art Gallery inside

Lakeside Books and Art, at 341 Ridge Rd. North, in Ridgeway. His work will be available for viewing until July 10. The public

is invited to meet Lewis at open house at the gallery on June 19 between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

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Signing on to graduate

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Puppy rescued from pipe

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

A one-week-old puppy is alive and well thanks to the efforts of Fort Erie firefighters.

The Fort Erie Fire Department and the Fort Erie SPCA partnered to rescue the Puggle last Wednesday afternoon after the animal became stuck in a pipe in a drainage ditch in front of a Gorham Road home at 2:11 p.m.

Fire Chief Larry Coplen said firefighters were called to assist the SPCA after attempts to retrieve the puppy were unsuccessful because the tool SPCA officers were using was too short to reach the animal.

"The firefighters used some ingenuity there to get the puppy out," Coplen said.

Firefighters used a pike pole, a tool used in firefighting operations, to safely rescue the puppy from inside the pipe.

"This tool is normally used for tearing down ceilings. They modified it so they could reach the puppy and scoop it out," Coplen said.

The puppy was rescued "within 15 to 20 minutes."

Wendy Trombley, Fort Erie SPCA manager, said the puppy is healthy and happy.

"We are very glad for a happy ending and that all went well."

She reminds residents that puppies should never be left unattended.

"It's important to check your property for any safety hazards, drains, holes, chemicals, debris and check to make sure your yard is secure," Trombley said.

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FORT ERIE SPCA SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

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Six rescued from Lake Erie

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

Six people were rescued from Lake Erie Sunday afternoon.

The Niagara Regional Police, the Fort Erie Fire Department, Port Colborne Marine Auxiliary Rescue and Niagara Emergency Medical Services were dispatched to Bay Beach at 3:18 p.m. following a report two people had drifted from the shore.

Const. Phil Gavin said a six-year-old boy, who was wearing a life jacket at the time, drifted too far from shore while on a water tube. The boy's father attempted to rescue him but they both went further out and had trouble returning.

They drifted approximately 150 metres from shore before they were rescued.

Gavin said both the boy and his father were assessed for injuries and transported to hospital for hypothermia.

Earlier that afternoon, rescue crews

were called to Sherston Shores near Empire Road in Port Colborne where a catamaran had capsized, leaving four people in the water at 2:50 p.m.

Gavin said the four people in distress were rescued by private citizens on Sea-Docs and returned to shore.

Niagara EMS assessed the individuals for hypothermia and one person was transported to Welland hospital.

Gavin is reminding Niagara residents to use caution when enjoying water activities.

"Weather and water conditions can change quickly on Lake Erie and Lake Ontario and people have to be vigilant,"

The surface temperature may be warm, but Gavin said the body of water could still be cold at this time of the year.

"Hypothermia is a concern at this point," he said.

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SARAH FERGUSON/FORT ERIE TIMES

The Fort Erie Kinettes recently donated \$2,500 for the Kinsmen Pool along with a number of other items including bottled water, which will be used by pool staff and patrons this summer. From left, is Larry Mathewson, of the Fort Erie Underwater Recovery Unit and Kinettes members Eileen George, Sandra Fickel, Barb Clark, Susan Shular, NIKKI George and Louise Albert.



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The Point Abino Lighthouse Preservation Society is selling tokens to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Point Abino Lighthouse next year. The proceeds will be used to make interior improvements to the lighthouse.

Proceeds from commemorative token to help with repairs

SARAH FERGUSON
Fort Erie Times

Fort Erie's historic lighthouse is set to celebrate 100 years next year.

To mark the occasion, the Point Abino Lighthouse Preservation Society would like to see the inside of the lighthouse restored to its former glory.

The lighthouse under-

went a \$1.3 million exterior renovation in 2011, but the interior needs work, PALPS president Rick Doan said.

"At some point the brick walls were whitewashed. People have come in and said 'Why don't you remove it.'"

PALPS members would also like to see two air tanks inside the lighthouse

repainted red.

"Right now the paint is peeling off of them," Doan said.

PALPS has an estimate for the work, which will cost approximately \$3,000, he said. The non-for-profit group has also applied for grant funding to help pay for the repairs.

Doan said he hopes to have the work completed

before the lighthouse is opened for tours next summer.

PALPS is selling a limited number of special tokens to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Point Abino Lighthouse. The proceeds will be used to pay for the interior restoration.

"We've made 1,000 of them and we've sold about 113 so far," Doan said.

A picture of the lighthouse is on the front of the coin and the back highlights when the lighthouse was built and the date it was decommissioned.

Tokens are \$5 each by themselves or they can be purchased with a protective vinyl package or gift box.

The tokens can be purchased at Lakeside Books

and Art, at 341 Ridge Rd. N. in Ridgeway or by calling Doan at 905-894-1342.

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Niagara part of jewelry repair expansion into Canada

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The world's largest jewelry, watch and smartphone repair company is looking to expand into Canada — and one of the first locations could be in Niagara.

Established in 1984, Fast-Fix Jewelry and Watch Repairs has more than 150 locations in the United States, United Kingdom and Ireland.

Founded in Pittsburgh and now headquartered in Florida, its stores are staffed by industry-certified jewellers, watchmakers, watch-repair professionals and smart-phone technicians who provide on-site services often in less than an hour or two.

Gerry Weber, chief executive officer for Fast-Fix, said they operate primarily storefronts, but also have a handful of kiosks. He said the storefronts range from 400- to about 1,000-square-feet, while their kiosks are 160-square-feet.

"People come to us because their watches aren't running anymore, their

necklaces are falling apart, their ring is too small or too big for a reset, a stone needs to be reset, the stone is loose, just a whole variety of jewelry-repair and watch-repair services, everything from changing a battery to fixing the timing on a watch clock," he said.

"We also do engraving services, we do eyeglass frame-repair services ... and we also do cellphone repairs, so we're kind of an integrated repair shop."

Weber, who used to live in Canada, said the time is right to expand Fast-Fix north of the border.

He said the company recently hired a consultant in Stony Creek to help find area developers who will be opening the stores.

Weber said Niagara makes sense, as it's close to Buffalo, a U.S. market Fast-Fix has yet to break into but plans to in the future.

"I would think that our first location in the Niagara area would be the Pen Centre, probably Canada One (Factory Outlets) would be on that list, so those are places

we think we could do well in," he said.

Weber said the company is looking at Ontario and British Columbia as its first Canadian markets.

He said he's not sure if Niagara will be the home of its first Canadian location, but it will be among the first.

"It's going to be a question of timing. We are talking to a number of individuals and groups right now about developing in Canada, and one of those groups is in the Niagara area, another group is in the Toronto area, another group is in the Ottawa area."

"(It depends on) who gets their deals done first."

Weber said he thinks Fast-Fix will secure a location in Niagara by the fall, and anticipates an opening before the end of the year.

"I'd love to be open obviously before the holidays," he said.

Weber said he was in Toronto and Ottawa about six weeks ago and visited several malls.



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Fast-Fix customers can take most repaired jewelry home same day

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"I noticed that there wasn't anyone doing what we do in the malls," he said.

"I spoke with the jewelry stores in the malls, and the jewelry departments within the department stores in the malls, they all told me they sent

their repair items off site to some place and they were gone for four weeks, six weeks.

"That just opened my eyes to the fact that there's a huge potential opportunity there for us because we do it right there on site, and the customer can take the item home with them

the same day, maybe for a big job, come back the next day."

Weber has experience expanding companies from one country to another.

He grew up in Toronto, and worked for Shoppers Drug Mart right after getting out of school.

"Shoppers Drug Mart actually moved me to the U.S. to open up a division based here in south Florida (in the late 1970s)," he said.

"I was (also) a senior executive with Blockbuster Entertainment, and I was able to bring Blockbuster into Canada (in the early 1990s).

"So I brought a company from Canada to the U.S. and

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Fort Erie Secondary School principal Fred Louws chopped off Grade 10 student Samantha Meli's hair Monday morning in front of all of her school mates during the end-of-the-year assembly. Meli donated approximately 20 inches of hair to Angel Hair for Kids, a national charitable organization that provides wigs to children who have lost their hair due to a medical condition. She also raised more than \$100 that will be donated to Angel Hair for Kids and toward the construction of Greater Fort Erie Centre for the Arts, the new theatre that will be built with the Town's new high school, Greater Fort Erie Secondary School.

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This week in Greater Fort Erie Minor Soccer



The Girls Under 9 travel team warmed up before the game on Monday at Ferndale park. From left, are teammates Alyssa Havili, Avery Pepin, Morgan Young, Taryn Shufelt, Ava Rondinelli, Tessa Vanduzen, Emily Gill, Paige Burdon, Anna Durand, Abigail Campbell and Emily Bruzzese.



Kendall Perchaluk, left, and Taylor Smith helped warm up their goalie during practice at Optimist Park on Monday evening. The Girls Under 16 Travel program is well under way and is now able to practice in the evenings under the new lights that were installed by Greater Fort Erie Minor Soccer and the Town of Fort Erie.



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Sarah Ransom took some pointers from coach and Greater Fort Erie Minor Soccer board member Bill Pontello as she made a save during practice at Optimist Park Monday night.

Competitors win big at Buffalo tournament



Georgia Daybol, of Daybol-Pascuzzi Jiu-Jitsu, competed in The Buffalo International Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu tournament on May 28 and won a silver medal.



SAM PASCUZZI/SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

Daybol-Pascuzzi Jiu-Jitsu competed in The Buffalo International Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu tournament on May 28. From left, Kris Hamilton won gold in blue belt and silver in the absolute blue belt division, David Dyurko won silver in white belt division and CJ Grisafi won bronze in blue belt division.

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Fort Erie Secondary School recently hosted its annual banquet to honour the school's athletes. Awards were presented to (back row) Blair McNeill, Senior Male Athlete of the Year; Elijah Robinson, Paul Fell Senior Football Award winner; Vanessa Laroche, Sportsmanship Award winner; Riley Mitchell, Junior Male Athlete of the Year; Colin Howe, MVP Junior Football Award winner; Shanna Ingram, Academic Athlete of the Year; Taylor Doyle and Madison Hutton, Co-Junior Female Athletes of the Year and Shannon Troupe, Senior Female Athlete of the Year.

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Cannons improve record 4-4

AUSTIN GOODER

Special to the Fort Erie Times

Fort Erie Cannons Manager Justin Hall knew the team's 0-4 start wasn't a true reflection of the club's talent.

Similar to the 2015 iteration of the Cannons, the boys in green and gold started their 2016 season with four consecutive losses.

Thrice now, Hall has insisted the team was just a few healthy players away from being at their peak.

If the last three games are any indication, Hall's analysis may prove spot on.

On Thursday, the Cannons took to Niagara Falls to do battle against the Expos in search of their third win in a row.

This came after the Cannons deftly defeated the visiting St. Catharines Cobras on Wednesday by a score of 14-7.

Their tango with the Expos was a tight affair, ending with a score of 6-5.

Starters Ryan Soltesz and

Cam Hall started the two games, respectively.

Justin Hall says watching different players step up on different days as the team struggled has been great.

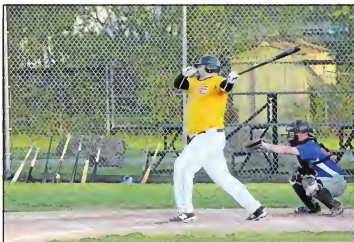
"Kris Hodges is normally our leader and captain, but he's been injured all season," Hall said.

According to the manager, third baseman Gary Morases and first baseman/pitcher Pat Giampaolo have taken charge.

The Cannons now rest in the middle of the standings with a 4-4 record. They won their first game on Saturday, June 4 against the rival Cobras team that they also defeated for their second win. On Sunday, the Cannons also defeated Merritt Alliance 19-9.

Hall says the recent surge is a product of the team playing like their did in their struggling 2015 campaign.

"We just need the pitching we got last year, and for our



AUSTIN GOODER/SPECIAL TO THE FORT ERIE TIMES

Cannons third baseman Gary Morases, pictured here in a file photo, has been key in the short win streak the team is on.

bats to heat up a bit.

"One guy gets hot, (Pat 'Meatball' Giampaolo), then Morases finds his bat, then

Weglarz. One guy finds it and it slowly starts clicking," Hall said.

The Cannons returned

home Wednesday to face the Niagara Falls Expos. The results were not available before the Fort Erie's press deadline.



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GIBBS, William "Bill" - Passed away on June 7, 2016 at the Greater Niagara General Hospital at the age of 95. Beloved husband of the late Sally (2012). Dear father of Gloria Teesdale (the late Jim, 2008). Loving grandfather of William Teesdale and the late Joanne Murca (2013) and great-grandfather of Abbey Murca. Bill was a volunteer with the Fort Erie Fire Station #6 in Crystal Beach for 41 years. **WILLIAMS FUNERAL SERVICES** 722 Ridge Rd. North, Ridgeway have been entrusted with arrangements. Visitation was held on Saturday, June 11th, 2016 from 11 to 12 o'clock followed by a service in the chapel. Dominion Lodge, Ridgeway held a Masonic Service which began at 10:30 a.m. A walkthrough by Fort Erie Fire Station #6 took place at 11:30 a.m. Interment followed at Ridgeway Memorial Cemetery. For those who wish, memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

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TAYLOR, Andrew - Passed away peacefully on Wednesday June 8th, 2016 at the Greater Niagara General Hospital at the age of 69. Beloved husband of Marilyn for 46 years. Dear father of Carolyn (Lorenzo) Mautzko, David (Sherry), Susanne, and the late Karen Bristol (Brett). Cherished grandfather of Ashley, David Jr., Jonathan, Sarah, Brandon and Katie, the late Nicole and the late Sydney. Loving brother of Jeannine Wilson and Ruthann White. Andrew worked for the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 71 in Fort Erie, as the caretaker. **WILLIAMS FUNERAL SERVICES**, 722 Ridge Rd. N, Ridgeway entrusted with funeral arrangements. Family received friends on Tuesday June 14th from 2-4 and 7-9 pm. A graveside service was held on Wednesday June 15th at 11 o'clock at Zion Cemetery in Wainfleet. In memory of Andrew, those who wish may donate to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or to the Canadian Cancer Society.

SZILAGYI, Louis Joseph - Aged 83, passed away peacefully on June 8th, 2016. Sadly missed by his children Steven Szilagyi and Mary Lou Galvin. Lou was the proud grandfather of, and much loved by, Juliana Szilagyi. A private service, followed by cremation, was held. If desired, donations in the memory of Lou can be made to the Alzheimer Society of Canada.

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MORRIS, Margaret Delight - Margaret passed away at the age of 91 in Fort Erie on June 4th, 2016. Sadly missed by her brother Sidney Morris and her sister Evelyn Johnston. Predeceased by brothers Kenny and Ernie. Also survived by her many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Margaret was a longtime associate member and volunteer of the RCL Branch 71, BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. A graveside service was held at Greenwood Cemetery June 15th at 2 p.m. If so desired, donations to the Branch 71 Poppy Fund would be appreciated by the family.

RYLEY, Jeanne Lockwood (nee MacKay) - **RYLEY, Jeanne Lockwood (nee MacKay)** - Peacefully on June 6, 2016 at Gilmore Lodge in Fort Erie. Jeanne in her 88th year, was predeceased by her beloved husband, Terrence Ryley (May 2006), and by her parents, Janet and Robert MacKay. Cherished mother of three daughters Barbara of Elliot Lake, Cathie of Toronto and Annie (Mike Quong) of Fort Erie, granddaughters Jennifer (Glen) and Allison (Shaun), and two great-granddaughters Morgan and Emily. It was Jeanne's wishes to be cremated and buried together with her husband Terrence. A graveside service will be held at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Fort Erie on June 22nd at 1pm for family and friends to attend, in lieu of flowers, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Alzheimer's Association would be appreciated by the family. The family would also like to thank Dr. Che and the staff at Gilmore Lodge for their loving care and support. Arrangements entrusted to **NIAGARA FUNERAL ALTERNATIVES**, 905-894-0120.

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Author: Unknown

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McIntee, Thelma Diane - June 4, 1947 - June 20, 2016
In loving memory of a dear wife and mother.

We thought of you today.
But that is nothing new.
We thought of you yesterday and the days before that too.
We think of you in silence.
All we have are memories and your picture in a frame.
Your memory is a keepsake, from which we'll never part.
We have you in our hearts.

Missed very much by husband Don, daughters Tammy and Terrie and son-in-law Stricko.



WAYNE PECK
May 11, 1957 - June 12, 2013

My Dearest Brother

I didn't know that morning the pain that day would bring
When a golden heart stopped beating and I couldn't do a thing.
No words can heal that heart-ache or stop a silent tear,
or take away the memories of the dear brother I miss and love so dear.

Love and miss you every day,
Sally.

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Betty Reaman
November 19, 1932 -
June 15, 1989

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Dear Mother

Wishing today as we wished before
That God could have spared you many
years more.

In our heart your memory is kept
To love, to cherish and to never forget.

Lovingly remembered by
Paul and Betty Ann

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MOST Holy Apostle St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the church honours and invokes thee universally as the patron of hopeless cases, of things almost despaired of, pray for me who am so miserable, make use I implore thee of that particular privilege accorded to thee to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of, come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation & succor of heaven in all my necessities, sufferings and tribulations, particularly St. Jude (make request), I promise Oh Blessed St. Jude to be ever mindful of this great favour, to always honour thee with God and all the elect forever as my special & powerful patron and to gratefully encourage devotion to thee, Amen. AMT. Publication must be provided

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